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SUBJECT: US-USSR ARMS CONTROL WORKING GROUP ON

RADIOLOGICAL WEAPONS AND NEW WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION,

STARTING DATE FOR NEXT ROUND (ROUND FIVE)

RW MESSAGE NO. 19

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- 1. AT THE END OF A MEETING ON ANOTHER SUBJECT ON MAY 6, HEAD OF SOVIET DEL (AMBASSADOR LIKHATCHEV) SAID THAT HE HAD RECEIVED WORD FROM MOSCOW REGARDING THE U.S. SUGGESTION TO START THE NEXT ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS ON RADIOLOGICAL WEAPONS (RW) ON 6 JULY 1978 (PARA 10 REFTEL) AND THAT THE SOVIET SIDE COULD AGREE IN PRINCIPLE.
- 2. LIKHATCHEV NOTED THAT HEAD OF U.S. DEL (AMBASSADOR FISHER) WOULD BE IN NEW YORK FOR THE UN SPECIAL SESSION DEVOTED TO DISARMAMENT, AND SUGGESTED THAT THE TWO SIDES KEEP IN TOUCH AT SSOD ON RW ISSUE, INCLUDING THE SETTING OF A FIRM DATE FOR START OF NEXT ROUND. CONFIDENTIAL

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3. COMMENT: WHILE U.S. AND USSR DO NOT AGREE ON NUMBERING OF RW ROUNDS (WITH THE SOVIET SIDE CONTENDING THAT BILATERAL DISCUSSION AT CCD IN 1976 ON NEW WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION SHOULD BE COUNTED), FROM THE VIEWPOINT OF THE U.S. SIDE THE NEXT SERIES OF BILATERAL MEETINGS ON RW WILL CONSTITUTE ROUND FIVE. VANDEN HEUVEL

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